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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr ROMUALDI, Mr ALMIRANTE, Mr BUTTAFUOCO and Mr PETRONIO

on behalf of the non-attached Italian Members pursuant to Rule 25 of the Rules of Procedure

on the persecution and assassination of Libyan political refugees on the territory of the European Community.

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## The European Parliament,

- whereas the lives of some thousands of human beings are in serious danger, their only crime being that they are Libyan citizens who disagree with Colonel Gaddafi's government,
- whereas this government publicly admits its intention to eliminate physically, without trial, using barbarous methods and even in areas outside the jurisdiction of Libyan 'justice', all expatriate Libyan citizens expressing opinions contrary to those of the authorities at present in power in Libya,
- whereas five persons in Italy, two in Germany and two in the United Kingdom have already fallen victim to Libyan assassins,
- whereas, in order to prevent countries in which these crimes were committed from applying the law, the Libyan Government is resorting to brazen blackmail by imprisoning nationals of these States on trumped-up charges and expelling their diplomats,
- whereas, again to ensure that these offences go unpunished, the Libyan authorities are systematically applying the threat of economic retaliation, for instance, cutting off supplies of raw materials, which would put the jobs of millions of workers in the Community in jeopardy,
- 1. Condemns these instances of State terrorism;
- 2. Denounces, for the execration of the civilized world, the protagonists of this squalid distortion of the concept of justice;
- 3. Requests the Council of Ministers and the Commission to take whatever measure in any context which they consider may halt any further attempt on the lives of Libyan refugees and to make known their repugnance of the government which so openly and so shamelessly accepts responsibility for these attacks;
- 4. Recalls that, in Dublin on 4 December 1979, the Ministers of Justice of the nine Member States signed an agreement on the application of the European Convention on the Suppression of Terrorism within the territory of the Community;
- 5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the **Co**uncil and Commission of the European Communities.